

CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH

ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD

Meeting Minutes and Action Items: January 6, 2011

Chairman: Robert Schaaf

Others Present: Brown, Glover, Gordon, Marquez, Marshall, Nicolson, Rice, Smith

Absent: None

City Staff: None (Aaron Klemm absent)

Commission: Barbara Delgleize

Council Members: Joe Shaw, Connie Boardman

Public: None Guests: None

I. Call to Order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 5:28 p.m.

II. Approval of Minutes

Minutes were approved for the December 2, 2010 meeting, as moved by Glover, seconded by Rice.

III. Public Comments

None

IV. Informational Items:

Steve Bone & Shirley Dettloff of the HB Marketing and Visitors Bureau gave a presentation on sustainable tourism, presenting the board with copies of the newly-published "Steps Toward a Sustainable Huntington Beach" brochure. The Bureau continues to seek input from all aspects of the community (e.g. restaurants, business, environmental advocates, disposal, chamber, etc.) to foster the development of "ecotourism."

V. Action Items:

- A. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: Updates and Announcements
- 1. Comments on previous EIR's were timely sent to planning commission.
- 2. Robert Schaaf and Aaron Klemm met with Lori Payne to arrange multimedia presentations on HB3 for board information items.

B. MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATIONS

None, but a Beach/Warner project EIR will be coming next month.

C. FIELD TRIPS

Shipley Nature Center

Tour is rescheduled for January 22, 2011 at 10:00 a.m.

D. GREEN ENERGY COMMITTEE (Smith, Gordon, Marshall)

SCE Update

SCE Regional Grant estimate: \$1.475 million over a 5-city team to implement state energy policy.

Smith is working on project for practical application of energy policy for HB, details to come.

Solar Update

"kick-off" meeting on December 22, 2010 sold all bonds for solar project.

E. COMMUNICATIONS (Glover/Rice/Marquez/Smith)

- 1. New member orientation website is up and running.
- 2. Brown inquires as to existing certification programs, and whether there is opportunity for the Environmental Board to acknowledge community success in those programs.
- F. ENVIRONMENTAL AWARDS (Marshall/Marquez/Schaaf)

Award will be presented at the January 18, 2011 city council meeting.

VI. Administrative Items

- A. Correspondence/News Articles/Announcements -
 - 1. Beach parking passes issued to EB members as "thank you" for participation.
 - 2. Marquez reports on Metro Systems International, a literal rainmaking firm which has claimed to produced 55 rainy days last year in Dubai.
 - 3. Marquez reports on small solar panels being installed in villages in Kenya as a way to bring electricity to places that previously had none.
- B. Requests to Place Items on the Next Agenda None.

VII. Good and Welfare

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned approximately 7:00 p.m. The next meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m. on February 3, 2011 in room B7. The speaker will be Sue Gordon of Rainbow Waste Disposal.